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Hon. Thomas Whitehead writes to the Amherst Enterprise from Washington. He says that they have to lay down \$125 per month for the board of a Congressman, solus. He adds:

"All sorts of places and positions have numerous applicants from country postoffices to U.S. Judgeships. Pages, printers, clerks, officers, military, naval, civil and ecclesiastical are pushing along busily seeking place or promotion. From what we have seen thousands of signatures are asked, whether they have influsignatures are asked. whether they have influence or no. The Republican members and officials must have a tough time. The air seems full of applications, claims, pensions, &c It really looks like all the property in the world

was destroyed by the war, that nobody had ever been paid, and that the survivors were expected to endorse for each other.

The House is composed mainly of first rate average men—sensible workingmen who appear honest, and desirous of doing what they can for their constituents. There is a sprinkle of rather flashy, ambitious young men. (mostly new members) and some self conceited old ones who imagined they had everything to do and could do it. We are satisfied that a short experience with Speaker Blaine, a few tangles with parliamentary rules, and an audience talking while they are speaking, will satisfy them that they will not be able to get through the job before Christmas

"Preaching is a grand thing in this city, considering the fact that the people don't seem to be overly pious. You can hear three sermons here every Sunday, and almost every night in the week, with the best of singing and praying; plenty of prayer-meetings, Christian Associations and administration of the service of the tions, moral and religious lectures, with or without price, and yet there is about as much genteel and ungenteel wickedness as in other cities of the size. We rather suspect the devil wears his Sunday clothes in this city. There are not many beggars nor much evidence of wretchedness and want. Perhaps there is more work at better rates here for the poor. There are a great many negroes here. They generally look well and behave well. Several hundred of little ones are boot-blacks, and a few are news-boys."

CHRISTMAS. - We congratulate our readers spite of the financial panic-happy hearted, merry old Christmas. The festival seems consecrated by the common Christ endom as a season of joyous salutations, and the reciprocation of the best wishes of the heart. It is fit and natural that it should be so. The event it proposes to commemorate ought to fill the heart alike with gladness and gratitude, and it furpishes a fit occasion for the indulgence of the better and kinder feelings of our nature. It is a time for good wishes, kind words, and the sending of gifts. Were it only for the amount of unfergued delight it brings to our children, surely we should regret its abolition from the observances of social life, and feel a blank when its date returned. Who can stand near the entrance of one of our confectionary stores, and watch the looks of the little tolks that enter and thus leave those fairy regions of childish delight, and coldly wish the joyous anuiversary blotted from the calendar?

To the old we wish "troops of friends," and flocks of happy children gathering about their hearthstone. To the young, rosy cheeks, bright eyes, and those smiles in which ill-humour cannot live. To the newly married, and even those contemplating matrimony—if we have any such in in our midst-we wish bridal presents in profusion, with loving messages from there betrothed. To the old courles we wish renewed pledges and proofs of growing esteem, that would lead them, if free, to marry each other again the next minute. To the poor, we wish an open winter cheap fuel, warm blankets, plenty of work. To those who are in distress we wish Heaven's mercy, the meek endurance of their lot, and a happy issue out of all tribulation. And, above all, we wish our delinquent subscribers plenty of greenbacks to enable them to liquidate their indebtedness, as we desire to enjoy, to a limited extent the approaching holi-

days .- Winchester News. We say, with all our heart, "ditto to this." - Alexandria Gazette.

CHARLOTTESVILLE (VA.) IN "OLD TIMES." The Charlottesville Jeffersonian says:-"The land on which the court-house is erected and the vacant plat in front of it was the gift of Dr. Thomas Walker, the grand father of Mrs. W. C. Rives, who had the town laid off in lots in 1761-'62, and which was incorporated by the House of Burgesses, November, 1762. In 1828, when we first saw the Square, there was on the west side of it a row of locust trees, in front of the stores, which had been set out fifteen or twenty years previously, only one of which is now standing, in front of Dr. McKee's residence. These trees had been planted by a man by the name of Shadrach Battles, who was half Indian, half mulatto; his pay for the work was to be a quart of whiskey for every tree that lived. He watched them carefully and watered them to aid in their growth, and when any of them gave evidence of life by putting forth leaves he would clap his hands and shout, "Another quart saved." The persons who did business on that side paid the contractor as per agreement. All the stores in town sold ardent spirits, and kept open doors on Sunday mornings till 10 o'clock, except John Cochran, to traffic and trade with the slaves, who came to towo with written permits from their masters to dispose of their garden truck, &c. When the late Benjamin Ficklin, a magistrate, settled in town, he was the means of breaking up this Sunday traffic, and to the plea that humanity required that the slaves should be allowed to buy and sell on Sunday, because they had no other time to do it in, he said it was against

a fine of \$5 on admitting that he wrote business CHOICE SUGAR CURED HAMS, Shoulders and Breasts received and for sale by AVERY & DAVIDSON, 226 King st., cor. Alfred.

the laws of the State to labor or do business on

the Sabbath, and if masters wished their ser-

vauts to sell what little products they had, they

should give them time enough to do so on Sa-

turday afternoon, and not on the Sabbath. Mr.

Ficklin enforced the laws and fined those who

Violated them; on one occasion, when his mana-

ger drove his team to town on Sunday, he went

before another magistrate and had a fine enter-

ed agsinst himself, and he made a lawyer pay

CLOTHING AND GENTS FURNISHING GOODS.

EVERY GARMENT

IN OUR IMMENSE STOCK

TO BE FORCED OFF IMMEDIATELY AT ENORMOUS DISCOUNTS!

NO RESERVATION. ALL MUST AND SHALL BE SOLD!

WITHOUT DELAY!

WE ARE DETERMINED

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WASHINGTON, D.C.

Washington, D. C., dec 20-tJ1

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Dealer in LUMBER AND TIMBER.

BILLS cut to order and delivered p r Alexandria and Fredericksburg Railway.

Has just set a Mill in a fresh piece of timber, of which a considerable portion is white oak, of fine quality, much of it suitable for planking

Also Yellow Pine, Red Oak and Hickory. Can furnish Bills promptly, and solicits a por-tion of the public patronage.

Orders may be left at our wood yard, corner of Duke and Union streets, where my son is offering SAWED and SPLIT WOOD for sale at reasonable prices. Postoffice box 190, Alexandria, Va. A. G. UHLER. ROBT. JAMIESON.

JAMIESON, UHLER & CO.,

ALEXANDRIA PLANING MILLS, SASH, DOOR & BLIND MANUFACTORY. Dealers in

Dressed Lumber, White Pine, Georgia, Carolina and Virginia

Flooring. NOS. 29 and 31 NORTH WATER STREET. jy 2-tf

J. W. NALLS. B. W. NALLS. B. F PEAKE.

JAMES W. NALLS, SON & CO.

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Dealers in HARDWARE, CUTLERY

Carpenters' Tools, Doors, Sash, Blinds, Door
and Window Frames, Brackets, Mouldings
Balusters, of different patterns, and Newel

Posts. A large stock of French and American
Glass, double and single thick, of all sizes.— Glass, double and single thick, of all sizes.— Paints, Oils, Varnishes, Paint and White Wash Brushes, Lewis' Pure White Lead, and other brusnes, Lewis Fure white Dead, and other brands of fine quality, Putty, Turpentine and Machine Oil. Also, Lime, of superior quality, Cement, Calcined Plaster, Pitch and Felt for Roofing, &c. A large stock of Pugh's celebrated Car Augers, and other articles found in first class Builders' Furnishing establishments. All orders for Lumber, Brick and all kinds

of Building Material, promptly attended to. Terms cash.

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Alexandria, Virginia. Sashes, Doors, Blinds, Frames, Mouldings Brackets. Newels Balusters, and

Mantlepieces, constantly on hand at the Factory. Call and examine stock and prices. TO WAGON MAKERS-We have on hand a superior lot of GUM, ELM and UAK

HUBS, which were made to our order of seasoned timber. These Hubs have been examined by competent judges and pronounced to be cheaper and better than any heretofore brought to this market. We invite an examination. Our stock of Rims and Spokes are of Eastern manufacture, and are far more durable and better made ture, and are lar more durante and better made than Western goods. Axles, Springs, Enamel Canvas, and other goods in the same line always in store, and prices moderate. Call and see. nov 10 J. T. CREIGHTON & SON.

GEORGE R. HILL & CO., Steam Cracker & Cake Bakers,

ALEXANDRIA, VA.

jy 15-tf DOUBLE and SINGLE GUNS, with complete set of equipments -a very desirable Christmas present—at
JAS. F. CARLIN & SONS', 63 King street.

OYSTER DEALERS.

FRIED OYSTERS FREE.

From to-morrow, Tuesday, October 21st, 1873, a nice FRIED OYSTER WILL BE GIVEN FREE to each drink taken at my place.
I also inform the public that the FINEST LIQUORS can always be had at my Restaurant, such as very good and old pure Whiskey; war ranted genuine and pure Holland Gin, direct through the custom house of Baltimore; genu-ine London Ale and Irish Stout.

I also will receive in a short time some genu-ine GERMAN LAGER BEEK, direct from Bremen. This is put up in bottles and nice for family use.
FINE NORFOLK OYSTERS, fried, stewed

and raw, always to be had at my place.
F. SCHNEIDER, 16 N. Royal st.,
oct 20-tf Next to Harrison's auction store.

JOHN S. COGSWILL, At his Oyster House, opposite the Gazette office, is prepared to furnish OYSTERS to all who may desire them. All orders from the country will receive prompt attention.

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JAMES H. DEVAUGHN, Manufacturer and Dealer in

FURNITURE,

No. 130 King street, Alexandria, Va.,

Looking Glasses, Hair, Cotton Top and Husk Mattresses,

kept constantly on hand and made to order at reasonable prices.

In order to secure prompt attention orders should be addressed to JAMES H. DEVAUGHN, No. 130 King street.

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Manufacturers of

FURNITURE, 141 and 143 King street,

Alexandria, Virginia.

A large and fine stock always on hand. ja25 STEPHEN A. GREEN. JAMES E. GREEN.

Steam Furniture Works & Saw Mill, ALEXANDRIA, VA.
Having fitted up our factory with the latest

and most approved machinery, we are prepared to furnish all kinds of HOUSE, OFFICE and SCHOOL FURNITURE at the very lowest races; and are also prepared to do all kinds of SAWING and TURNING, MOULDING PLANING and CARVING in our line. War ted, in exchange for the Furniture, Walnut, Poplar, Oak, Maple Birchand Cedar Logs,

BOARDING.

TWO OR THREE GESTLEMAN can be Apply at this office. sep 23-tf

BOARD.-Well furnished rooms, in a desir-can be obtained by addressing A. B., Gazette office. sep 2

BERKSHIRES.

Thorough bred BERKSHIRE PIGS, in pairs or singly. Terms cash. B. H. JOHNSTON, No. 2 Prince street. dec 4-eo2w

HOLIDAY GOODS. FOR CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.

EXTRAORDINARY!

We have on hand an assortment of GROVER & BAKER'S FAMILY SEWING MA-CHINES; also the new and improved SHUTTLE MACHINES, made by the same company.

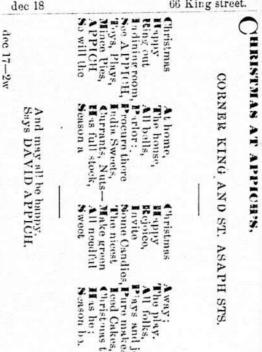
Parties desiring Shuttle Stitch Machines will be pleased with this style.

All machines sold on accommodating terms and full instructions given by dec 18 E. S. LEADREATER & BRO.

HOLIDAY GOODS!

Call early and make your selection. Good, pretty and cheap, at

FERGUSON'S HAIR DEPOT,



UST RECEIVED FOR THE HOLIDAYS,

AND TO BE SOLD AT A GREAT REDUCTION IN

A beautiful assortment of CATHOLIC PRAYER BOOKS. for children and adults, Story Books, &c., suitable for presents; also Rosaries, Pictures and Catholic Family Almanacs for 1874, at 25 cents, dec 16-2w V. BECKER, No. 112 King st.

ONE DOLLAR BUY MORE HOLIDAY GOODS

GREEN'S NOTION HOUSE than the same amount will purchase in any house in the United States.

Call early, make your selections and have them packed and delivered as directed. dec 15 CHAS. W. GREEN. FINE FAMILY GROCERIES AND LI-QUORS.

Canned Goods, Breakfast Hominy, Old Jamaica Rum, Fine N. E. do., Old Pelle. Fr. Brandy, Raisins, Currants, Old Seignett do., English Citron, Double Grape Hol. Gin. Turkish Prunes, English Citron,

Carl Ila Scotch Whis- Eleme Figs, key, Sardines, half and quarkey, Old Duff Gord. Sherry, ter boxes, Amer. & Eng. Pickles, Topaz " Crown Poited Meats and Peach & Apple Brandy. Flavoring Extracts,

Baker and other celebrated brands of Pure Old Rye Whiskey. Anderson's and Atmore's Mince Ment. George's Hams, Cheap Sugars, Fine Teas, &c. GEO. McBURNEY & SON,

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This may be hard to believe, but those who try it must come to that conclusion. All I ask is a trial. Put up in buckets of 15, 35 and 65 nov 29-1 m

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No. 164 King street,

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100 King street. FULL LINE OF HOSIERY, GLOVES, A FULL LINE OF HOSTERI, GBOT LS, Corsets, In broidery, in new styles, which have been bought cheap, and will be sold accordingly, at

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Next door to Mr. Paff's shoe store, sign of the big boot.

HEALTH IS WEALTH.—Go and get a full supply of WINTER GARMENTS of all Mrs. DRIEFUS', A FULL LINE OF ZEPHYR and GER-MANTOWN WOOL and SILK and

WORSTED BRAIDS, at Mrs. DREIFUS', 100 King st. DON'T FORGET TO EXAMINE OUR FIFTY-CENT KID GLOVES. They are

just in season and suit our hard times. oct 18 Mrs. DREIFUS, 100 King st. WATER-PROOF SUITS can be bought and will be made to order at Mrs. DREIFUS', 100 King st.

LOST AND FOUND. OST-A small POCKETBOOK. A liberal reward will be paid if left with

R. W. WIRT, Ticket Agent

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F. A. REED, Agent.

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Rich, Rare and Beautiful Goods for the Holidays at HUTprays, as will

Robert S. At unheard of low prices.
For the good time that's coming I have selected a stock of eigengan I and their in part some level as stock of eigengan I and their part some early fine specimens of Vienna Brozze and Silver Seed of the Holiday of the Seed o

1500 lbs Pure French Candy. 800 lbs Plain 500 lbs Candy Toys and Fruit. 500 lbs Brazil Nuts, Pecans, Filberts and Al-

monds.

100 boxes London Layer and Valencia Raisins, Figs, F.g. Paste, Catawba Jelly, Pestarche Paste, Lemons and Cranberries. Very cheap.

10 boxes Leghorn Citron.

5 boxes Lemon Peel.

4 boxes Oranges. For sale cheap.

Eire Crackers and Torpedoes.

Fire Crackers and Torpedoes. 25 sacks Rio Coffee.
15 sacks LaGauyra do.
10 sacks Maracaibo do.
8 sacks old Government Java, green or

roasted. At market prices.
Choice Moyune, Gunpowder, Japan, Young
Hyson, Oolong and English Breakfast Tea. At reduced prices.
A best Coffee Sugar at 11c per lb.

Powdered, Crushed and Granulated at 12c. Sea Foam, the best Baking Powder. English and American Pickles. Spices, guaranteed pure. Mustard, Canned Goods and a general assort-

ment of groceries. Remember the place. Satisfaction guaranteed. CHINESE TEA COMPANY,

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WATCHMAKER AND JEWELLER, 114 King street, corner Pitt, (Marshall House.) Just received a large and elegant assortment of WATCHES, JEWELRY, CLOCKS and SILVERWARE, &c.,—all articles suitable for HOLIDAY PRESENTS.

My goods are first class and my charges mod-REPAIRING of all kinds in my line done by

myself and warranted to give satisfaction.

114 King st., (Marshall ifouse,)

dec 13-1m[®] Alexandria, Virginia. CHRISTMAS GOODS!

Another exciting and startling variety of the best and cheapest HOLIDAY GOODS

Ever exhibited in the Sate of Virginia.

The Don't de'ay your purchases, as the rush for these goods is becoming greater and greater every day. Pur hase the articles you may wish without delay, and they will be neatly packed and delivered at any time or place, from

and delivered at any time or place, from GREEN'S NOTION HOUSE, 76 King street THE GREATEST NOVELTIES

NEEDLE CASES. SPOOL COTTON BOXES. HANDKERCHIEFS in handsome boxes FOR CHRISTMAS.

They are worth seeing. D. F. WITMER CO. FOR THE WANT OF STOREROOM,

We offer our entire stock of CHRISTMAS GOODS AT COST,

to close out that line of our business, consisting of handsome Writing Disks; Work, Pull, Glove and Handkerchief Boxes; Card Receiv ers; Vases; Jeweiry Cases; Ink Stands; Segar Stands; Wall Brackets; Toys, &c.

Our stock of HOUSE-FURNISHING GOODS s complete, and at prices to defy competition. Rogers Bro's. Plated Castors, Butter Dishes Call Bells, Spoons, Forks, &c. .

Rogers' celebrated Scissors, Table and Pocket Cutlery.
Toilet Sets and a full line of Japanned, Plansh and Plain Tin Ware. Waiters, Work and Travelling Baskets.
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69 King street. HOLIDAY GOODS

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Just opening a large stock of HOLIDAY GOODS, bought within the past few days at prices greatly under value.

Merchants in or out of our city will find it greatly to their advantage to purchase from this stock, as prices will be much less than New York regular rates.

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WHOLESALE AND RETAIL, AT GREEN'S NOTION HOUSE, 76 King street. dec 6

2 CASKS NEW ZANTE CURRANTS received this day and for sale low by AVERY & DAVIDSON. 226 King st., cor. Alfred.

HOLIDAY GOODS. CRISTMAS TIMES.

MAKE A USEFUL CHRISTMAS PRE-SENT. Splendid PAISLEY SHAWLS. Another full assortment of CLOAKS opened this morning.

HEM-TITCHED HANDKERCHIEFS.

DRE-S GOODS, in great variety, cheap at dec 20

D. F. WITMER CO'S.

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of doing so.

Many Goods at half their value.

Over one hundred and fifty dozen HANDKER-KERCHIEFS at all prices, suitable for Christmas presents.

Five thousand sets of JEWELRY, SLEEVE BUTTONS and STUDS.

One hundred dozen SOCKS at half value.

Worsted Goods, Shawls, Nubias, Scarfs, Gloves, Children's Hose, &c. Great bargains just opened at fifty per cent

less than factory prices. More of those uncomparable 124c Hemstiched Handkerchiefs.

More 64c Linen Handkerchiefs.

10 cent Lace Collars.

Gents. Gloves of every description. Over 300 different styles at low figures.

Gents. Merino Un lershirts at \$1, worth double the price.

Large quantities of other goods, all at much less than prices of import tion, just opened at

GREEN'S NOTION HOUSE,

No. 76 King street. dec 16-e 5t

NOTICE TO CITY TAX-PAYERS. The attention of city tax-payers is respectfully called to sections 5 and 6 of the Revenue bill of

873, which are as follows:

all personal tax bills due and unpaid on the 1st December, 1873, and shall cause the same to e printed and plated up at conspicuous places in the several wards of the city. Section 6. The City Collectors shall, on or before the 5th day of January, 1874, return to the Auditor a list of all delinquent tax bills in their hands which there is no personal property to atisfy and which yet constitute a lien on real estate and shall, after having given twenty days' notice of the time and place of sale, proceed to sell the same, or so much thereof as may be ne-

Section 5. The Collectors shall make a list of

cessary for the payment of said taxes, as provided tor in the city charter.

J. T. HILL, Col. North. Dist.

dec 4-1m S. K. FIELD, Col. South. Dist. BUTTON MOULDS and CABLE CORD, all sizes, just received at,

dec 5 FERGUSON'S HAIR DEPOT. SUGARS DOWN TO A DOT at RAMSAY'S. dec 1s

Corner King and St. Asaph sts.

SUGARS and COFFEES and other choice GROCERIES for sale at the lowest prices by dec 18

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